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Yodel and his siblings have woken from their long winter's nap and are ready to learn and grow. Nature photographer Mary Holland captures precious moments of this black bear family's springtime adventures. Just like human children, the yearlings play, explore their surroundings, and then snuggle up with mom for milk. They even stay with a special "babysitter" while mom is away. Someday soon, the yearlings will be grown and go off on their own, but for now they can catch a nap under their mama bear's watchful eye.

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Torpor or Hibernation
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Meet Mary Holland



Mary Holland is a naturalist, nature photographer, columnist, and award-winning author with a life-long passion for natural history. After graduating from the University of Michigan's School of Natural Resources, Mary worked as a naturalist at the Museum of the Hudson Highlands in New York state, directed the state-wide Environmental Learning

for the Future program for the Vermont Institute of Natural Science, worked as a resource naturalist for the Massachusetts Audubon Society, and designed and presented her own "Knee-High Nature Programs" for libraries and elementary schools throughout Vermont and New Hampshire.

Her other children's books with Arbordale include *Yodel the Yearling*, *Otis the Owl*, *Ferdinand Fox's First Summer* (NSTA / CBC Most Outstanding Science Trade Book and Moonbeam Children's Book Award), *The Beavers' Busy Year*, *Animal Eyes*, *Animal Legs*, *Animal Tails*, and *Animal Mouths* (NSTA / CBC Most Outstanding Science Trade Book). Mary's book *Naturally Curious: a Photographic Field Guide and Month-by-Month Journey Through the Fields, Woods and Marshes of New England* won the 2011 National Outdoor Book Award for the Nature Guidebook category. *Naturally Curious Day by Day* was published in 2016. Mary lives in Vermont with her lab, Emma. Visit Mary's blog at naturallycuriouswithmaryholland.wordpress.com.

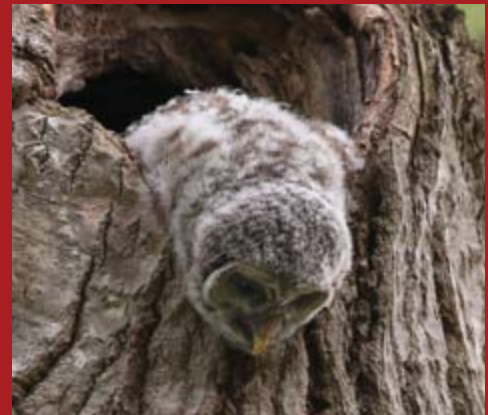
Mary on photography...

"So much of photography is luck – finding the subject, having the access to it that is necessary in order to photograph it, having weather that allows photographs to be taken, and behavior by your subject that is not altered by your presence. When these factors are all met, magic happens. Patience, good equipment, and a familiarity with the behavior of the animal you're photographing – all of these contribute to successfully capturing a wild animal with your camera."



Praise for *Ferdinand Fox's First Summer* and *Otis the Owl!*

An irresistible kit fox greets the reader on the cover of this book and draws one into the world of Ferdinand and his family of red fox. Facts about the kit fox's life cycle, adaptations, and food preferences abound in this exquisite, photographic journey through the first year of life. - *NSTA Recommends*



Holland, a naturalist and a skilled nature photographer, offers a visually captivating picture book on owls. - *Booklist*

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